



Senate Education and Employment Legislation Committee
Budget Estimates 2019-20
Friday, 5 April 2019
Daily summary

Here is the summary of today's proceedings in the Education and Employment Legislation Committee estimates hearing.

The committee met from 9.01am to 8.12pm.

The committee called the Department of Jobs and Small Business, Comcare, the Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman and the Department of Education and Training.

Topics discussed by the committee included:

- New Employment Services Model and the jobactive digital 'self-service' portal;
- changes to the Harvest Labour Services program;
- Seasonal Workers Incentives Trial;
- jobs statistics, including job creation figures and wage growth statistics;
- Comcare's achievement of certain Key Performance Indicators;
- implementation of a Sham Contracting unit under the Fair Work Ombudsman;
- Higher Education funding arrangements;
- budgeting arrangements for Skill and Training programs outlined in the 2019-20 Budget; and
- National Partnership Agreement on Universal Access to early childhood education.

The committee will next meet at **9.00am** on Wednesday, 10 April in Senate Committee Room 2S3, calling:

- Department of Jobs and Small Business; the Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman; the Fair Work Commission; Comcare and the Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission; Seafarers Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Authority; the Registered Organisations Commission; the Australian Building and Construction Commission; the Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman; Safe Work Australia and the Asbestos Safety and Eradication Agency.